

City of Rockville Ethics Commission

Minutes

Diamondback Terrapin Conference Room Meeting No. 17-07 Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at 6:30 PM

Commissioners Present: Eugen Thirolf, Kris Dighe, Jaime Espinosa, Rosanne Hurwitz, Kevin

Jenkins

City Staff: Eliot Schaefer, John Brown

I. Convene

Meeting convened.

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Dighe, seconded by Commissioner Espinosa, and passed unanimously (5-0).

III. Approval of Minutes

<u>July 19, 2017</u> – Commissioner Dighe requested that an amendment be made to the first sentence under Section VI. Commissioner Dighe moved to approve the minutes as amended, which was seconded by Commissioner Hurwitz and passed unanimously (5-0).

IV. Discussion on Ethics Training

Mr. Brown provided the Commission with information on his communications with vendors that can provide online ethics training programs. The Commission discussed various issues associated with online and in-person training. The Commission was provided with the revised ethics training slides. The Commission discussed and revised the ethics training slides. Commissioner Dighe moved that the Commission accept the ethics training slides as amended, which was seconded by Commissioner Espinosa and passed unanimously (5-0).

V. Old/New Business

- City Staff informed the Commission that a Request for an Advisory Opinion had been submitted. City Staff would distribute the Request and place the matter on agenda for the next meeting.
- Commissioner Espinosa raised the issue of a Commissioner serving on a local Civic Association. The Commission determined that a request for an advisory opinion should be filed for a formal answer.
- The Commission's next meetings are set for: Thursday, September 28, 2017 and Wednesday, October 18, 2017.

VI.

Adjournment
Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Espinosa, seconded by Commissioner Jenkins, and passed unanimously (5-0).